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REPORT
OF
THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

HELD IN

THE SENATE CHAMBER

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

TORONTO

On Thursday, May 24th, 1973 at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon

Officers: President; Professor W.L. Morton; Vice-President, Colonel C.P. Stacey; Vice-President, Professor John Warkentin; Honorary Vice-President, Miss Julia Jarvis; General Editor, Dr. Michael Cross; Editor, Ontario Series, Professor Wm. Ormsby; Honorary Secretary, Mr. Peter S. Osler; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J.K. Armour; and Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook.

Members: Mr. John Gray; Mr. R. Murray Bell; Mr. R.S. Gentilcore; Mr. G.W. Brigden; Mr. Andrew Thomson; Mrs. Jean Tweed; Mr. Donald Macgregor.

Regrets were received from The Hon. John Yaremko, Prof. P.B. Waite, Prof. J.B. Conacher, Mrs. Dorothy Ross Lewis, Prof. Roger Graham, Mrs. Barbara Berg, R.E. Saunders, Prof. Donald Swainson, J.T. Wilson, Hugh A. Dempsey, David S. Mills, Prof. M.A. Ormsby, F.C. Moriarty, Dr. W. Kaye Lamb, Prof. Laurier L. LaPierre, Prof. A.C. Gluek, Jr., George B. Donaldson.

The President, Professor W.L. Morton, was in the Chair and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook acted as Secretary to the meeting.

On motion by Mr. Peter Osler, Seconded by Colonel C.P. Stacey, and carried, the minutes of the last annual meeting which had been printed and circulated were approved.

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Obituaries:

On motions duly seconded the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

The Champlain Society records with grief the loss of Hon. Leslie Frost, C.C., P.C., Q.C., LL.D., D.C.L., Honorary Vice-President of the Society 1964-1973, statesman, sage, soldier, lover of history, friend and benefactor of historians, himself historian, and acknowledges with gratitude the aid and counsel he aboundingly gave the Society, and especially his inspiration and support of, not the least of his many memorials, the Ontario History Series.

The Champlain Society records with regret the death of Sir Campbell Stuart, G.C.M.G., K.B.E., one of its Honorary Vice-Presidents since 1936. In that year he was instrumental in making the arrangements between the Hudson's Bay Company and this Society, whereby the publications of the "Hudson's Bay Series" was undertaken by the Champlain Society, and the first twelve volumes issued jointly by it and the Hudson's Bay Record Society, of which Sir Campbell Stuart became Chairman. His continued interest in the work of the Champlain Society has been of great value since he first became a Member in 1922.

Editorial Reports

General Series:

Presented by Dr. Michael Cross.

The current volume of our General Series has now appeared, the *North-West Campaign,* edited by Desmond Morton and Reginald Roy. It is, I think, a volume of high standard and historical importance.

We are carrying over three manuscripts currently. Editing has been completed on volume 1 of Lafitau's *Moeurs des sauvages ameriquaines.* Also on hand are volume II of Lafitau, and the final volume of the diary of Simeon Perkins. The scheduling of these volumes is a matter on which the council ought to decide.

Other projects previously mentioned in these reports are still underway. These include: Professor Zaslow's book on the reports of William Duncan; John Saywell and Paul Stevens' two volumes on Lord Minto; Mrs. Elizabeth McDougall's selection of letters received by the Glasgow Colonial Society. An interesting new suggestion for a volume has come from Professor Gordon Stewart of Michigan State University. He proposes a book based on the Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Church records, for the period 1760 to 1792. This covers the period of New England emigration to Nova Scotia, the "Great Revival", and the career of the controversial Henry Alline. It is not yet clear that there is enough material to make a volume, but the idea seems worth pursuing.

For a variety of unavoidable reasons, work on the General Series has proceeded slowly in the past year. As a result, we still have the opportunity to make decisions about scheduling, and about financial arrangements regarding Lafitau. A year ago it was proposed to do one volume of Lafitau in 1973, another project - probably one volume of Minto - or the Duncan book in 1974, and the second volume of Lafitau in 1975. There are reasons for re-thinking this programme. We have made some progress in arranging for United States distribution of Lafitau. Such distribution argues for consecutive publication of the two volumes, especially since the index for both volumes will be in volume II. A contrary consideration is the time of publication of Dr. Fergusson's last volume of the diary of Simeon Perkins. It has been on hand for a year, and would be delayed for another two years if we proceeded to publish Lafitau consecutively.

To aid understanding, some details on Lafitau might be in order. Volume I includes 376 pages of text, introduction, footnotes, etc., as well as 19 plates. Our quoted printing cost is £3550 for 1000 copies. Volume II contains 336 pages, with 22 plates. The quote for it is £3300. The Smithsonian Institute has requested 500 copies of each volume for American distribution. We do not have quotes for that amount. But MacLehose and Company estimates an overrun of 1000 copies of volume I to cost £900. and of volume II to cost £850.

My personal inclination is towards consecutive publication of the Lafitau volumes. It is not a firm judgment, however. A delay in volume II would allow more time to negotiate a better bargain on American distribution. And the thoughts of plunging again into the editorial problems of these manuscripts is a telling argument against the proposition of consecutive publication.

On motion by Dr. Cross, seconded by Mr. J.K. Armour the General Editor's Report was approved. Immediately prior to this meeting the Council decided that volume I of Lafitau should be published next to be followed by volume II without any intervening publications.

Ontario Series:

Presented by Professor William Ormsby.

The ninth volume in the series, *The Thunder Bay District, 1821-1892,* edited by Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, was published this spring. Miss Barbara Wilson is well advanced in her work on the tenth volume, *Ontario and the Great War,* and I hope to receive the completed manuscript from her by the end of the summer. This would enable me to schedule publication for the spring of 1975. Work is also going ahead on the Colonel John Prince volume edited by Alan Douglas and the City of London volume edited by Daniel J. Brock. Professor Cornelius Jaenen will begin the research on his French Regime volume at the start of 1974. As we thus have four additional volumes in prospect, I have not made definite arrangements, as yet, for

additional volumes. But I have had a number of suggestions for future volumes which I am following up and I will be prepared to make further recommendations to the Council as our publication schedule advances.

On motion by Professor Ormsby, seconded by Mr. Osler and carried, the Report of the Ontario Editor was approved.

LIBRARY EDITIONS

Beginning with Volume XL, The Champlain Society has printed extra copies of each volume in a Library Edition which is identical with the regular series except that the Society crest has been omitted from the spine. These extra copies were printed for the purpose of meeting the wishes expressed by libraries and other institutions for extra copies of particular volumes and to replace worn out or lost volumes. The price of these Library Edition volumes is $15.00 per copy, postage prepaid.

The following volumes are available in the Library Edition:

XL Glover: David Thompson's Narrative, 1784-1812
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XLV Lamb: Journal of Gabriel Franchere
XLVI Klinck and Talman: The Journal of Major John Norton, 1816
XLVII Morton and Roy: Telegrams of The North-West Campaing, 1885

Extra copies of the great map of British North America, 1865, prepared to accompany the Papers of the Palliser Expedition, are also available, unfolded, suitable for mounting or framing, at a price of $4.00 per copy postage prepaid.

Orders for the foregoing items should be addressed to:

Mrs. Eleanor Cook,
Executive Secretary-Treasurer,
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The Royal York Hotel,
100 Front Street West,
Toronto, Ontario, M5J 1E3
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Treasurer's Report:

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J.K. Armour presented the following financial statement which had been audited by J. Ramsey Fraser, Chartered Accountant.

The Champlain Society

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

(With comparative figures for the year ended December 31, 1971)

	1972	*1971*
General Series		
Receipts:		
Members' Fees	$16,603	$ 6,913
Royalties	4,312	5,148
Library editions, Permission fees, Maps	1,741	313
Bank interest	212	548
	$22,868	$12,922
Disbursements:		
Rent and secretarial assistance	$ 3,815	$ 2,750
General expenses, including editor's honoraria and out-of-pocket expenses	4,423	1,930
Printing of Volume 46	-	11,153
	$ 8,238	$15,833
Excess receipts over disbursements	$14,630	$(2,911)
Add cash and investment at beginning of year	15,981	18,892
Cash and investment at end of year	$30,611	$15,981
Ontario Series		
Receipts:		
Grant from Ontario Government, Ministry of Colleges and Universities	$ -	$ 5,000
Bank Interest	422	605
	$ 422	$ 5,605
Disbursements:		
Editor's honoraria	600	625
Excess receipts over disbursements	$ (178)	4,980
Add cash at beginning of year	21,750	16,770
Cash at end of year	$21,572	$21,750

On motion by Mr. Armour, seconded by Mr. Bell and carried, the financial statement was approved.

On motion by Mr. Armour, seconded by Mr. Brigden and carried, Mr. J. Ramsey Fraser was appointed auditor for the ensuing year.

Membership Report:

The Honorary Secretary, Mr. P.S. Osler, reported that there are presently eight hundred and sixty-five members of the Society.

Election of Council:

Colonel C.P. Stacey presented the report of the Nominating Committee. It was moved by Col. Stacey, seconded by Professor G.A. Rawlyk and Carried, that:

Professor Marcel Trudel
Professor John Warkentin
Professor George A. Rawlyk

be re-elected to Council for a three year term to end in 1976; and that

Miss Elizabeth Arthur
Professor Morris Zaslow
Mr. S.F. Wise
Professor L.F.S. Upton

be elected to Council for a three year term to end in 1976.

Council members to retire in 1974 are;

Professor Jack Granatstein
Professor Laurier LaPierre
Professor Donald Swainson
Professor W.L. Morton
Colonel C.P. Stacey
Mr. Murray Bell
Mr. Hugh Dempsey
Miss Malvina Bolus

Council members to retire in 1975 are;

Mr. James Coyne
Professor Alvin Gluek
Dr. T.H.B. Symons
Mr. J.K. Armour
Mr. P.S. Osler
Professor Paul Stevens
Professor Peter Waite; and
Mr. John Gray

OTHER BUSINESS:

It was suggested by some members that means be adopted to increase attendance at the annual meetings of the Society - in recent years there have been about 25 members present at each meeting. Various ideas were discussed and the Chairman stated that efforts would be made by Council to achieve this objective.

The meeting was then terminated.

After the annual meeting the Council elected Officers for the ensuing year.

List of Officers

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